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SUBJECT: ARMITAGE-POPOV MEETING; DECEMBER 6

1. AMBASSADOR POPOV CALLED ON DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ARMITAGE TO PRESENT AN AIDE MEMOIRE SPECIFYING SAN FRANCISCO AS THE GOB'S PREFERENCE FOR THE SITE OF THE PROPOSED COMMERCIAL OFFICE. ARMITAGE STATED THAT WE WOULD GET BACK TO THE AMBASSADOR WITH A RESPONSE OUTLINING THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE COMMERCIAL OFFICE WOULD OPERATE.

2. AMBASSADOR POPOV ALSO TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE OCCASION TO ASK THAT HIS THANKS BE CONVEYED TO MR. ANDREWS (EUR/EE) FOR HIS ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING MADAME ZHIVKOVA'S RECENT LAYOVER IN MIAMI. THE AMBASSADOR MET HER AT THE AIRPORT AND WAS WITH HER DURING THE SHORT TIME BETWEEN FLIGHTS.

3. THE MEETING ENDED WITH A DISCUSSION OF PRESIDENT-ELECT CARTER'S CHOICE OF CYRUS VANCE FOR HIS SECRETARY OF STATE, AND OF WHAT CHANGES MIGHT BE EXPECTED UNDER THE NEW ADMINISTRATION. MR. ARMITAGE EXPRESSED HIS RELUCTANCE TO OFFER ANYTHING MORE THAN A FEW PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS

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ABOUT MR. VANCE AND ON HOW PAST TRANSITIONS HAVE GONE. ROBINSON

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